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AT "Analyse gegenwärtiger Suchdienste und Konzepte für künftige Wissensauffindung," Chapter and Chapter 10, on-line thesis at <http://www.iicm.edu/thesis/hforstinger/PDFIndex.html> (June 1999).

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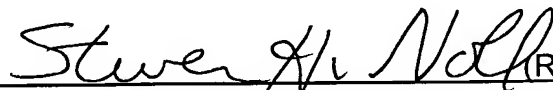
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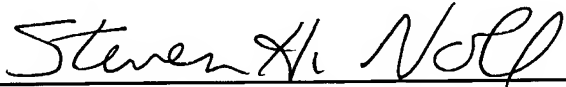
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